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Title: **MULTI-LAYERED SEMICONDUCTOR
DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING
THE SAME**
Examiner: Doug Owens
Art Unit: 2811
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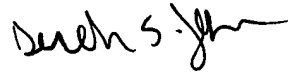
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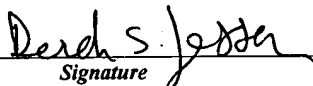
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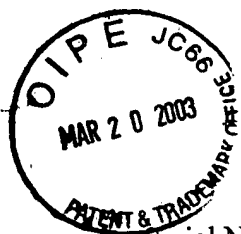
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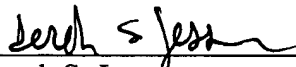
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